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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: D. Margolis, et al

Appl. No.: 09/611,949

Filed: July 6, 2000

For: An HIV Transcription Repressor and  
Compositions and Methods Based  
Thereon



Art Unit: 1635

Examiner: To Be Assigned

Atty. Docket: 0184-0001CIP

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

Honorable Commissioner of  
Patents and Trademarks  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

It is hereby requested that the period for responding to the outstanding Office Action be extended two months from October 28, 2000 to December 28, 2000 by the filing of this Petition and fee payment.

The petition fee (37 C.F.R. § 1.17) is believed to be \$195.00 for a two-month extension for a small entity. Fee payment is provided in our accompanying check. However, if extensions of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 other than those provided herewith are required to prevent abandonment of the present patent application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned.

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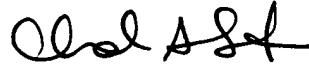
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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to our Deposit Account No. 50-0622. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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